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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re

U.S. application of: Shinya MATSUDA and Takashi MATSUO
For: ACTUATOR USING A PIEZOELECTRIC
ELEMENT

U.S. Serial No.: 09/738,070
Confirmation No.: 1177
Filed: December 15, 2000
Examiner: Peter M. Medley
Group Art Unit: 2834

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Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

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PETITION FOR TWO-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

A Petition for Extension of Time was filed (with the Amendment, mailed on September 6, 2002), requesting a one-month extension of time, thereby extending the response period to September 8, 2002.

Applicants hereby petition that the period for response to the Office Action, dated May 8, 2002, be extended for two months to October 8, 2002. A Request for Continued

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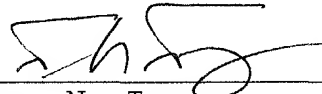
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Examination (RCE) Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is being filed concurrently herewith.

A Response Transmittal and Fee Authorization form authorizing the amount of \$1,102.00 (\$740.00 for the filing fee for a Request for Continued Examination (RCE), plus \$72.00 for the excess claims fee, and \$290.00, the difference between the one-month extension fee of \$110 under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1) and the two-month extension fee of \$400 under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(2)), to be charged to Sidley Austin Brown & Wood LLP's Deposit Account No. 18-1260 is enclosed herewith in duplicate. However, if the Response Transmittal and Fee Authorization form is missing, insufficient, or otherwise inadequate, or if a fee, other than the issue fee, is required during the pendency of this application, please charge such fee to Sidley Austin Brown & Wood LLP's Deposit Account No. 18-1260. Please credit any overpayment to Sidley Austin Brown & Wood LLP's Deposit Account No. 18-1260.

Respectfully submitted,



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